The Old Trup House Easton, Connecticut

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THE OLD TRUP HOUSE

Easton, Fairfield County, Connecticut

Owner: Rudolph Trup

Date of Erection: Circa 1740

Architect or Builder: Unknown

Present Condition: Poor

Number of Stories: One and one-half

Naterials of Construction: Stone foundation and chimney

throughout

Exterior wall boarding is oak

planks

Shingled and clapboard exterior

Other Existing Records: Land records of the towns of Easton, Weston, and Fairfield

Geneology of Old Fairfield

Families

List of Photographs:

- 1. Elevations South & East
- 2. Elevation (North)

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To see a list of the owners who in some period or another had possession of the Old Trup house in Easton, Connecticut, would be to see the names of some of the most prominent families of Old Fairfield, and more recent Easton. The names of Lyon, Aprthorp, and Todd, as well as Barnum, Rowland, and Candee have all been connected with the ownership of this old house.

The house, the oldest of the three Trup houses on this same farm was built about 1740, probably by one of Lyon family. This land is situated in what was the North Fairfield Parish. Later it was to become the town of Weston and is now the town of Easton. This reorganization of townships make title searching most difficult and inaccurate, and leaves a feeling of regret that so little is to be found regarding these old structures.

The house is now in a very dilapidated condition, so much so that it is next to impossible to imagine how it withstood the recent hurricane. It is interesting as an architectural subject as it is rather unusual for the period having the appearance of a much earlier house. It has an extremely steep roof and a large central chimney which is offset as it projects through the ridge. The exterior is shingled, some being the original, and interior is very plain. The interior walls are sheeted with featheredge boards.

A recent conversation with Mr. Rudolf Trup, the present owner, indicates that he intends to restore the house as near as possible to its original condition. It is with this high hope that we await the return of this old relic to its due position of prestige.

Sources of information: Land records of the towns of Easton, Weston, and Fairfield. Geneology of Old Fairfield Families.

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